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Agriculture Committee Members,

I am writing **in support of HB 4887** or "freedom to garden act"

Personal Gardening, planting and harvesting of fruits and vegetables and the freedom to trade, barter or sell for a nominal charge

Has long been a traditional and historical practice in Michigan and indeed, our nation.

During World War Two, the government encouraged its citizens to plant "Victory Gardens."

In 1944, Michiganders planted a million gardens.

During times of financial difficulties, gardens have provided sustenance to Michigan families and introduced

New generations to the planting of gardens, an appreciation of the wealth of Michigan produce, the pure joy

Of gardening and helped to usher in new innovations in gardening such as roof top gardens.

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Thank you  
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